



Proclamation *Presented to*

Melanie M. Okazaki

- Old Timers of the Year for 2014 - Hawai'i JCI Senate/Old Timers

WHEREAS, Melanie M. Okazaki attended Drake University in Des Moines, Iowa, and graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in Public Relations/Asian History, cum laude, in 1979; and

WHEREAS, Melanie M. Okazaki completed the U.S. Junior Chamber of Commerce Certified Training Course in 1988; and is a high-performing, self-driven marketing professional with over 33 years of experience; and

WHEREAS, Melanie M. Okazaki started with McDonald's Restaurants of Hawai'i in 1980, she is currently the Regional Marketing Manager, and responsible for the marketing leadership for the Hawai'i Region, which consists of 85 McDonald's Restaurants in Hawai'i, Guam and Saipan; during her long, outstanding career with the company she has held many skill building positions including:

- ❖ Community Relations Representative (1980-1987);
- ❖ Marketing Consultant (1988-1994);
- ❖ Senior Marketing Consultant (1988-1994);
- ❖ Administrative Manager (1994-1995);
- ❖ Marketing Supervisor (1995-1998);
- ❖ Assistant Marketing Manager (1998-2004); and

WHEREAS, Melanie M. Okazaki obtained honors from the U.S. Junior Chamber of Commerce/Hawai'i Jaycees including: "Outstanding State Officers (1989, 1991); Outstanding State Vice President (1991); Outstanding State President (1993); and "Ten Outstanding Young Persons Congress Hours of Power" Speaker (1998); and

WHEREAS, Melanie M. Okazaki excelled with the McDonald's Corporation - Hamburger University and has been recognized in the following areas: Presentation Skills (1991); Continuous Improvement (1992-1993); Marketing Orientation (1995); Crisis Management (1996); Renewal-Strategic Planning (2001); and Managing the Organization (2002, 2008); and

WHEREAS, Melanie M. Okazaki has also dedicated her time to being a volunteer with the Honolulu Japanese Chamber of Commerce; Ronald McDonald House Charities; Association of Apartment Owners of Kulanui Hale; and the United States Junior Chamber/Hawai'i Jaycees; and

WHEREAS, Melanie M. Okazaki will be recognized as a "Old Timer of the Year for 2014" at the 2014 Hawai'i JCI Senate/Old Timers Recognition Dinner on January 24, 2014, at the Japanese Cultural Center of Hawai'i;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim January 24, 2014, as

"MELANIE M. OKAZAKI DAY"

in Hawai'i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join us in congratulating Ms. Okazaki for her achievements with the Hawai'i JCI Senate, and recognizing her many contributions to our communities.

DONE at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this twenty-third day of January 2014.

NEIL ABERCROMBIE
Governor, State of Hawai'i

SHAN S. TSUTSUI
Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i